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Plaintiff.

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MARGUERITE ABDULLAH,

CITY OF SEATTLE, а Washington corporation; THE SEATTLE municipal POLICE DEPARTMENT, a department of the City of Seattle; B.M. HUNT and J. WILLIAMS, in their individual capacity,

Defendants.

No.

Kina County Superior Court Cause No.: 03-2-27483-6SEA

NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF **ACTION UNDER 28 U.S.C.** §1441(b) (FEDERAL QUESTION)

TO: THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF

Defendant City of Seattle hereby gives notice that it is removing this case to the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington on the grounds set forth below.

1. On June 5, 2003, the above-entitled action was filed by plaintiff against defendants City of Seattle, Seattle Police Department, Officer B.M. Hunt and Officer J. Williams in King County Superior Court and thereafter was given cause number 03-2-27483-6SEA. The matter was assigned to The Honorable Mary Yu. See Exhibit A

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attached to the Verification of State Court Records. A copy of the Order Setting Civil Case Schedule issued by the King County Superior Court Clerk on June 5, 2003, is attached as Exhibit B.

- 2. On August 29, 2003, defendants City of Seattle and Seattle Police Department were served with a copy of plaintiff's Summons and Complaint for Damages. See Exhibit C and Exhibit D attached to the Verification of State Court Records.
- 3. On September 5, 2003, counsel for defendants filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of defendant City of Seattle with the Superior Court, which is attached as Exhibit E to the Verification of State Court Records.
- 4. On September 12, 2003, counsel for defendants filed a Notice of Appearance on behalf of defendant Seattle Police Department, which is attached as Exhibit F to the Verification of State Court Records.
- 5. Plaintiff has erroneously named Seattle Police Department as a defendant in this action. Seattle Police Department is a division of the City of Seattle and not a proper party to this action.
- 6. Counsel for defendants have not received verification that defendants B. M. Hunt and J. Williams, Seattle Police Department officers, have been served, however, the undersigned attorneys represent defendants Hunt and Williams. Defendants Hunt and Williams join in this removal (without waiving insufficiency of service or process of service).
  - 7. There have been no further proceedings in this action.
- 8. Under the express terms of the complaint, plaintiff alleges a claim for civil rights violations under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.
- 9. The claim for a violation of 42 U.S.C. § 1983 arise under and are controlled by the laws and the Constitution of the United States and therefore fall within

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the original jurisdiction of the United States District Court. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1343, & 1441(b). The entire case may be removed to the United States District Court for determination of all issues. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1441(c).

- 10. Defendant City of Seattle has filed this Notice of Removal within thirty days after receipt, through service or otherwise, of a copy of plaintiff's Complaint. See 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).
- 11. This Court is the district court of the United States for the district and division embracing the place where the state court action is currently pending. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. § 1441(a).

WHEREFORE, defendants hereby give notice that the civil action in King County Superior Court of the State of Washington has been removed from that Court to the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

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DATED this / S day of September, 2003 at Seattle, Washington.

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Notice of Removal of the action brought in the Superior Court of Washington for King County, Cause No. 03-2-27483-6SEA. A true and correct copy of the defendants' Notice of Removal is attached hereto. day of September, 2003 at Seattle, Washington. STAFFORD FREY/COOPER Professional Corporation By Stephen P Larson, WSBA #4959 Blake E. Dias, WSBA #21869 Attorneys for Defendants 

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